



**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES**

**WORK SESSION MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2013**

**The City Council of Austin, Texas convened in a Work Session Meeting on Tuesday, January 29, 2013, City Hall at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.**

**Mayor Leffingwell called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.**

**COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

- B.1 Discuss Code Revision Committee nominations  
**Discussion was held on potential nominees.**

**BRIEFINGS**

- D.1 Briefing on the Municipal Civil Service developments to date.  
**The presentation was made by Michael McDonald, Deputy City Manager, Lee Crawford, Law Department and Mark Washington, Human Resources Director.**

**COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST**

**The Mayor introduced the agenda for the January 31, 2013 Council meeting and allowed Council to give input or ask questions on any item posted on the agenda. Staff was available to provide verbal responses to Council questions. Discussion was held on the following items taken from Thursday's agenda.**

- 28. Approve an ordinance creating a pilot program to authorize walking and biking in certain trails on a 24-hour basis for the 2013 calendar year and waiving City Code Section 8-1-14 regarding park curfews for the limited purpose of walking or biking during the pilot program period. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Chris Riley CO 1: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole CO 2: Council Member Kathie Tovo)  
**Direction was given to staff to provide a written breakdown of the fiscal impact, identify possible grants or funding options for alternative transportation related projects including the possible use of the transportation fund. In addition, to provide a comparison of the project implemented by the City of Denver to the City of Austin's plan.**
- 30. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to coordinate with Travis County and Austin Community College District and prepare a report for Council within 45 days on the proposed Lone Star rail service and interlocal agreement. (Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Lee Leffingwell CO 1: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole CO 2: Council Member Mike Martinez)
- 32. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to develop recommendations relating to a Tax Increment Financing Policy that ensures consistent consideration of proposals, transparency and accountability, as well as the financial viability and efficiency of such arrangements and report the recommendations to

Council by May 15, 2013. (Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole CO 1: Mayor Lee Leffingwell CO 2: Council Member Mike Martinez)

- 29. Approve a resolution amending Resolution No. 20121206-074 relating to membership requirements of the Land Development Code advisory group and ensuring diversity of stakeholder perspectives. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member William Spelman CO 1: Mayor Pro Tem Sheryl Cole CO 2: Mayor Lee Leffingwell)  
**Direction was given to staff to identify any existing taskforce on which registered lobbyist are currently serving and which taskforces are subject to Chapter 2-1.**
  
- 34. Approve a resolution authorizing Mayor Lee Leffingwell to execute an amendment to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Joint Powers Agreement to allow former members of Caldwell County's Commissioners Court to serve on the Transportation Policy Board. (Notes: SPONSOR: Mayor Lee Leffingwell CO 1: Council Member William Spelman CO 2: Council Member Chris Riley)
  
- 33. Approve a resolution directing the City Manager to reallocate all funds originally identified and budgeted for a master planning process of the Capitol Complex and state-owned properties to the weatherization program for low income families. (Notes: SPONSOR: Council Member Mike Martinez CO 1: Council Member Laura Morrison)

**Mayor Leffingwell adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m. without objection.**

**The minutes were approved on this the 14th day of February 2013 on Council Member Spelman's motion, Council Member Morrison's second on a 7-0 vote.**